

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 20 Apr 2005
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,4-6 and 17-19.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date attached.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☒ Other Attached - Approved Drawing Corrections

1. This Office Action is in response to applicant's paper received on 20 April 2005.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The applicant's arguments are convincing that the prior art does not explicitly teach providing additional sets of commands only after a particular language is identified. It is noted that the prior art teaches that it is known to identify languages independent of vocabulary and that the improvement is to be able to identify languages by using a limited vocabulary which can be done in combination with a larger or unlimited vocabulary as well. Therefore, while the prior art explicitly teaches that going from a larger to a smaller vocabulary will make recognition easier, it does not teach going from a smaller vocabulary (or set of commands) to a larger set of commands as the applicant argues. Therefore, the claim language is interpreted in view of these arguments as being so limited to overcome the prior art.

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Figure 1 and the specification are objected to because Figure 1 fails to include labels for the blocks. Labels are required and should be added to both the figure and the specification (see 37 CFR 1.84(n), (p), MPEP 608.02(p), 608.02(w)). Support for this figure appears on pages 5-6 and numerals should be inserted for proper reference to the figure.

5. The specification is also objected to because the date on line 2, page 8 is missing a digit in the year ("June 5, 196").

6. Claims 1, 4, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14-16 18 and 19 have been renumbered consecutively from 1-12. Claims 5 and 17 have been renumbered 13 and 14, respectively.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David D. Knepper whose telephone number is 571-272-7607.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 0730 to 1800.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richemond Dorvil, can be reached on 571-272-7602.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to customer service at 571-272-2600.



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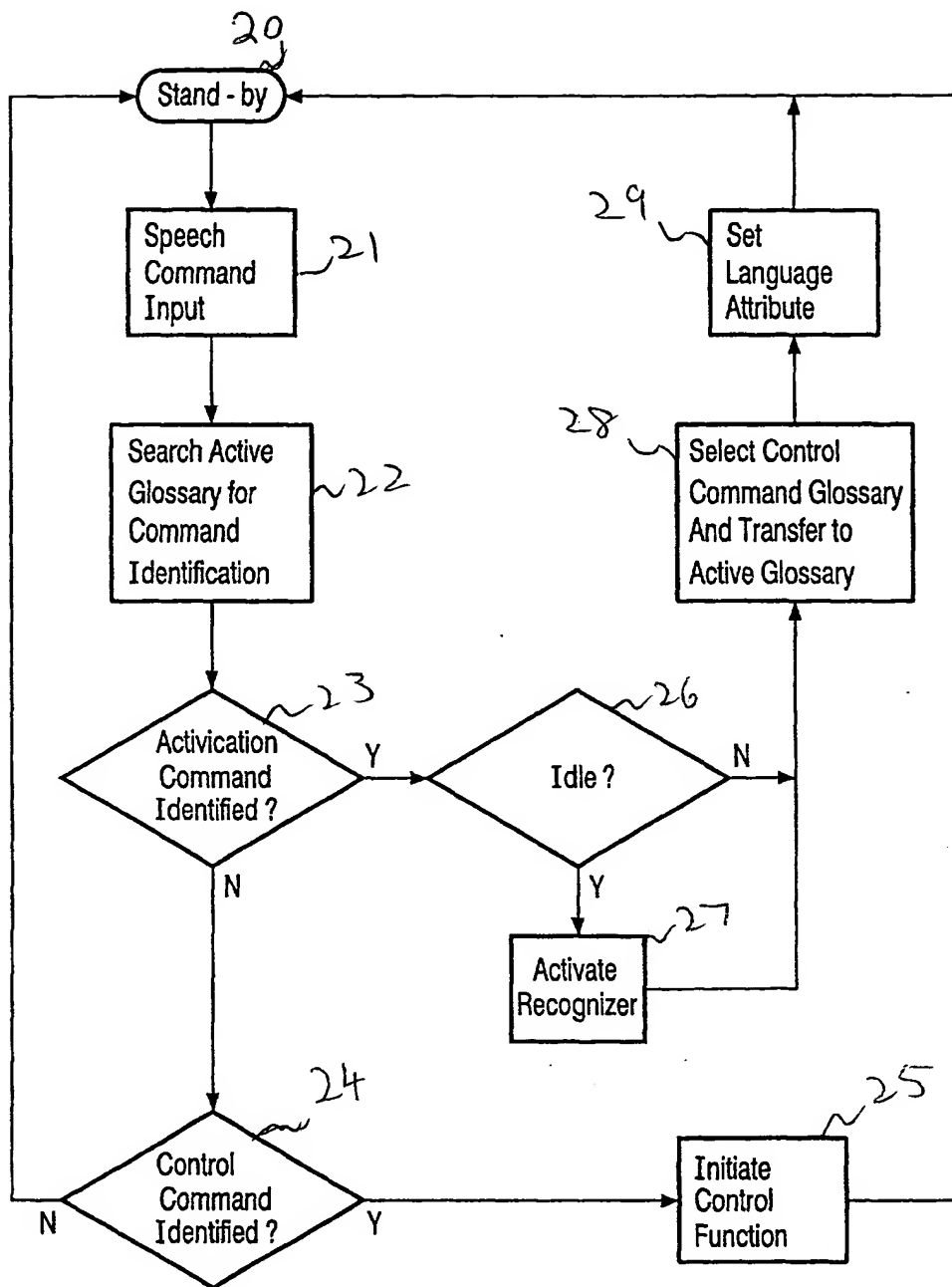


FIG. 1